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## Letter from Thomas Savage to James B. Finley

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Free Jas. Savage P. M.  
German town 12y  
May 10

Rev. James B. Finley  
Pittsburgh Pa.

Wagon  
Jas Savage

May 10 48



German town 12y May 8. 1848  
Rev. James B. Finley

Dear Bro. I have sent a memorial to the Gen. con. care of Bro.s Wright & Lamblinon Be so good as to call on them Read the memorial and if you think its Respectfull Be so good as to aid in presenting it at the most proper time I would or could say much more I think the Gen. con. should do But there are so many aged and experienced ministers in the con. no doubt every thing will be done for the good of the church I hope however the con. will declare the plan null & void and draw a Large Black mark over the plan that has done more harm than any thing else to our Beloved Church Also to say in Large Roman letters the M. E. C. has existed from the day of its organization & does still exist notwithstanding the court of Appeals in Ky. have declared to the world there is no M. E. C. in the U. S. A. no ministers of said Church no members of said Church see the decision in Bro. Armstrongs case I think on page 145 Also I hope the Gen. con. will establish a Western Virginia conference or a Ky. con. or Both But up for volunteer Preachers & carry on Business as before 1844 Also Be so good as to get the con. to say publicly what they meant by a Border Society & when a majority voted to go south & that was 12 or 3 Local Preachers Adhered to the old church was they to have a part in the Church (House) or have



to wander about in dens and caves to worship  
the God of their Fathers No doubt you have  
heard I built a church in this place paid  
every copra my self Deeded it to men for  
the use of the members & P. of the M. & C  
it cost about \$1200 besides the lot Well  
by the plan of separation the Doors have  
been Barred against us & the courts of Ky  
sustain the Southerners And as many of  
our Preachers talk about doing Justice  
to the South I hope they will begin at  
Home & do us justice by paying or sett-  
ling in some way for the church they  
gave or Bartered away to the South  
Otherwise I dont think there will be much more prop-  
erty Deeded in the same way for surely if the Gen.  
can. can at there will dispose of all the churches par-  
sonages colleges & C. & C. when they please most persons  
will hold the Right in themselves I do hope the Gen.  
can will say they were deceived or the South took  
the advantage of them and they never did nor do  
they now claim the Right to Barter their Members  
& property at there will without trial according  
to Discipline May the great Head of the Church  
preside over you in all your deliberations  
My Dear Bro. Remember me in your prayers  
that I may hold out faithful till Death

Yours in Christ  
James Savage